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SUBJECT:ARAB BOYCOTT OF ISRAEL

REF: (A) BAGHDAD 1252; (B) STATE 209187; (C) 75 STATE

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282318; (D) 75 STATE 281768

1. REF (A) ASKED WHETHER REPORTING AND DISSEMINATION OF TENDER PRECLUDED BECAUSE OF INCLUSION OF CONDITION QUOTE TENDERER SHOULD NOT IMPORT THESE GOODS FROM COUNTRIES THAT THE REPUBLIC OF IRAQ HAS ALREADY BOYCOTTED OR WHOSE MANUFACTURING AND TRADING FIRMS IT NO LONGER DEALS WITH UNQUOTE.

2. RESTRICTIONS ON REPORTING AND DISSEMINATION OF TRADE OPPORTUNITIES CONTAINING OR SUBJECT TO BOYCOTT CONDITIONS WERE IMPOSED BY COMMERCE AND STATE TO MAKE USG PRACTICES MORE CLEARLY CONSISTENT WITH SPIRIT OF EXPORT ADMINISTRATION ACT, WHICH STATES U.S. OPPOSITION TO BOYCOTTS AGAINST QUOTE COUNTRIES FRIENDLY TO THE UNITED STATES UNQUOTE. PROCEDURES TRANSMITTED REFS (C) AND (D) ACCORDINGLY MIRROR LANGUAGE OF ACT TO EFFECT THAT WE WILL NOT DISSEMINATE TRADE OPPORTUNITIES CONTAINING CONDITIONS IMPOSED

BY FOREIGN COUNTRIES WHICH SEEK TO IMPOSE RESTRICTIVE TRADE PRACTICES OR BOYCOTTS AGAINST ANOTHER COUNTRY FRIENDLY TO THE UNITED STATES. NOT NECESSARY THAT BOYCOTT CLAUSE SPECIFY COUNTRY AGAINST WHICH DIRECTED IN ORDER COME UNDER THESE PROCEDURES. SINCE CONDITION OF TYPE QUOTED PARA 1 ABOVE WOULD CLEARLY APPLY TO ISRAEL, TENDERS CONTAINING SUCH CONDITION MAY NOT BE REPORTED TO USDOC OR DISSEMINATED TO BUSINESS.

3. OUR OBJECTIVE CONTINUES TO BE TO PROMOTE PRAGMATIC EASING OF BOYCOTT ENFORCEMENT PRACTICES, PARTICULARLY THOSE WHICH DRAW U.S. FIRMS INTO ACTIVE ROLE IN BOYCOTT ENFORCEMENT. IN THIS CONNECTION SUGGEST ADDRESSEES READ ABOVE WITH PARAS 2-7 OF REF (B).

4. POUCHING COPIES REFS (B), (C) AND (D) TO BAGHDAD FOR INFO USINT. ROBINSON

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